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Attention: Eddie A. Sierra
Acting Assistant Regional Administrator
Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

VIA USPS Certified 7099 3220 0002-68793139 Return Receipt

RE: Complaint and Notice of
Opportunity for Hearing
Docket No. SWDA-08-2007-0042

Dear Mr. Sierra:

The Town of Encampment ("Town") is in receipt of the above referenced Complaint and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing ("Complaint") and hereby offers the following response. After careful review of the allegations in the Complaint, The Town of Encampment finds each count to be accurate. There are no counts in the Complaint that the Town of Encampment wishes to dispute or further explain. Since the original Administrative order was file in 2003 the Town of Encampment has made an attempt to take proactive measures to bring our water system into compliance. While we have made changes in our compliance plan along the way, we are now on a solid path toward a long term solution to the treatment issues. We should continue to remain in compliance with the enhanced chemical treatments as we progress through the design and construction of the new treatment plant. We have submitted our first quarterly report on the progress of the upgrade and are on track with the timetable for completion of the project. The Town of Encampment has also taken measures to ensure our plant operators have the equipment and personnel available to better track reporting and monitoring requirements. We have also added administrative help in effort to remain on top of notification and interim report issues. We offer no excuse or further explanation of the treatment and notification violations except to state that we have brought these issues under control. The Town of Encampment has made every effort to stay in contact with Environmental Protection Agency administrators since their visit to the Town. The Town of Encampment would like to request an informal settlement hearing to discuss the penalty portion of the Order. As we move into the design and construction of our new treatment facility our financial resources are allocated toward the funding of the project. While we hope to utilize grant

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funding for the majority of the project, we will still be responsible for the matching portion of the grants. Any consideration given to us with regard to the penalty will be greatly appreciated. We look forward to hearing from you and setting a date and time for the settlement hearing.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Salisbury", written in a cursive style.

Greg Salisbury, Mayor
Town of Encampment

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